Subject: Same stereo/speakers different sound Posted by Mica on Tue, 24 Nov 2020 21:32:05 GMT

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My friend brought over their system and we played it in the kitchen. It sounded totally different than it did in the living room. She said it even sounds different at her place (she has paneling). Do appliances really make things sound so different? The walls are the same from my kitchen to my living room.

Subject: Re: Same stereo/speakers different sound Posted by Wayne Parham on Wed, 25 Nov 2020 01:09:56 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Rooms definitely have a big influence on the sound. Think about how things sound in a small room (like a bathroom) compared to a large room (like an auditorium).

The most significant influence is from room modes and self-interference from boundaries. To learn about these things, do searches here on the forum and on the internet at large for room modes, SBIR and self-interference.

Subject: Re: Same stereo/speakers different sound Posted by Azuri on Tue, 23 Mar 2021 03:00:51 GMT

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The only time I turned anything on in a kitchen was an AM radio station. A kitchen and an AM band were made for each other, I think.

Subject: Re: Same stereo/speakers different sound Posted by Acacia on Sun, 11 Apr 2021 05:20:31 GMT

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Yeah, it seems that the room where the speaker would be played will affect how the sound will turn out. Some descriptions of speakers sometimes even mention their compatibility with rooms.

Subject: Re: Same stereo/speakers different sound Posted by sammi40 on Thu, 13 May 2021 10:06:56 GMT

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I knew that different rooms and different things in rooms affected the way things sounded but I've never seen speakers come with that information. That is cool, use this speaker in the kitchen or

bathroom. Heck I have not listened to an AM radio in forever.

Subject: Re: Same stereo/speakers different sound Posted by Leot55 on Tue, 22 Mar 2022 12:24:32 GMT

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It's amazing how furniture and other decorative materials affects the room's sound quality. My wife bought a large, ugly sculpture in the living room, but it had to be moved because it was creating an echo effect.